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Birefringence in a Fiber-Optic Sensor
by Use of Berry's Topological Phase

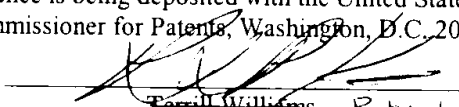
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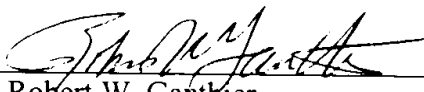
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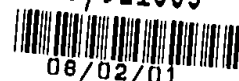
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